

In the Claims

1. (previously presented) A grill cover for covering an indoor counter top grill, the grill including a first cooking plate having a first cooking surface, the first cooking surface having a first rim and including a lid having a second cooking surface, the second cooking surface having a second rim, said first and said second cooking surfaces each having parallel elongated raised portions, the grill cover comprising:

a first thin sheet portion of aluminum having a fixed shape, and a fixed width and length to cover the first rim, a contoured surface of the first thin sheet portion corresponding to a contoured surface of the first cooking surface and including parallel ribs running through the thickness of the first thin sheet portion so that said first thin sheet portion when placed on the first cooking surface fits snugly thereon,

the first thin sheet portion including at least one right tab extending therefrom for attaching a right side of the first thin sheet portion to a right side of the first cooking surface exterior to the first rim and including at least one left tab extending therefrom for attaching a left side of the first thin sheet portion to a left side of the first cooking surface exterior to the first rim,

a second thin sheet portion of aluminum having a fixed shape, and a fixed width and length to cover the second rim, a contoured surface of the second thin sheet portion corresponding to a contoured surface of the second cooking surface and including parallel ribs running through the thickness of the second thin sheet portion so that said second thin sheet portion when placed on the second cooking surface fits snugly thereon,

the second thin sheet portion including at least one right tab extending therefrom for attaching a right side of the second thin sheet portion to a right side of the first cooking surface exterior to

the second rim and including at least one left tab extending therefrom for attaching a left side of the second thin sheet portion to a left side of the second cooking surface exterior to the second rim,

the first sheet portion and the second sheet portion forming a single continuous sheet.

2. (original) The grill cover of claim 1, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet portion and a lower surface of the second thin sheet portion have a non-stick coating thereon.

3. (original) The grill cover of claim 1, wherein a front of the first thin sheet portion extends into and covering an inside surface of a drip tray positioned in front of and approximately adjacent the grill.

4. (original) The grill cover of claim 3, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet portion and a lower surface of the second thin sheet portion have a non-stick coating thereon.

5. (original) The grill cover of claim 1, wherein the aluminum is aluminum foil having a thickness of between approximately half a mil and five mils.

6. (original) The grill cover of claim 5, wherein the aluminum foil is extra heavy duty aluminum foil.

7. (original) The grill cover of claim 5, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet portion and a lower surface of the second thin sheet portion have a non-stick coating thereon.

8. (original) The grill cover of claim 7, wherein a front of the first thin sheet portion extends into and covering an inside surface of a drip tray positioned in front of and approximately adjacent the grill.

9. (original) The grill cover of claim 1, wherein each of the parallel ribs have bumps at or near a front end of the parallel ribs.

10. (original) The grill cover of claim 9, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet portion and a lower surface of the second thin sheet portion have a non-stick coating thereon.

11. (original) The grill cover of claim 9, wherein a front of the first thin sheet portion extends into and covering an inside surface of a drip tray positioned in front of and approximately adjacent the grill.

12. (original) The grill cover of claim 11, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet portion and a lower surface of the second thin sheet portion have a non-stick coating thereon.

13. (original) The grill cover of claim 9, wherein the aluminum is aluminum foil having a thickness of between approximately half a mil and five mils.

14. (previously presented) A grill cover for covering an indoor counter top grill, the grill including a first cooking plate having a first cooking surface, the first cooking surface having a

first rim and including a lid having a second cooking surface, the second cooking surface having a second rim, said first and said second cooking surfaces each having parallel elongated raised portions, the grill cover comprising:

a first thin sheet of aluminum having a fixed shape, and a fixed width and length to cover the first rim, a contoured surface of the first thin sheet corresponding to a contoured surface of the first cooking surface and including parallel ribs running through the thickness of the first thin sheet so that said first thin sheet when placed on the first cooking surface fits snugly thereon, the first thin sheet including at least one right tab extending therefrom for attaching a right side of the first thin sheet to a right side of the first cooking surface exterior to the first rim and including at least one left tab extending therefrom for attaching a left side of the first thin sheet to a left side of the first cooking surface exterior to the first rim,

a second thin sheet of aluminum having a fixed shape, and a fixed width and length to cover the second rim, a contoured surface of the second thin sheet corresponding to a contoured surface of the second cooking surface and including parallel ribs running through the thickness of the second thin sheet so that said second thin sheet when placed on the second cooking surface fits snugly thereon, the second thin sheet including at least one right tab extending therefrom for attaching a right side of the second thin sheet to a right side of the first cooking surface exterior to the second rim and including at least one left tab extending therefrom for attaching a left side of the second thin sheet to a left side of the second cooking surface exterior to the second rim.

15. (original) The grill cover of claim 14, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet and a lower surface of the second thin sheet have a non-stick coating thereon.

16. (original) The grill cover of claim 14, wherein a front of the first thin sheet extends into and covering an inside surface of a drip tray positioned in front of and approximately adjacent the grill.

17. (original) The grill cover of claim 16, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet portion and a lower surface of the second thin sheet have a non-stick coating thereon.

18. (original) The grill cover of claim 14, wherein the aluminum is aluminum foil having a thickness of between approximately half a mil and five mils.

19. (original) The grill cover of claim 18, wherein the aluminum foil is extra heavy duty aluminum foil.

20. (original) The grill cover of claim 18, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet portion and a lower surface of the second thin sheet portion have a non-stick coating thereon.

21. (original) The grill cover of claim 18, wherein a front of the first thin sheet portion extends into and covering an inside surface of a drip tray positioned in front of and approximately adjacent the grill.

22. (original) The grill cover of claim 14, wherein each of the parallel ribs have bumps at or near a front end of the parallel ribs.

23. (original) The grill cover of claim 22, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet portion and a lower surface of the second thin sheet portion have a non-stick coating thereon.

24. (original) The grill cover of claim 22, wherein a front of the first thin sheet portion extends into and covering an inside surface of a drip tray positioned in front of and approximately adjacent the grill.

25. (original) The grill cover of claim 24, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet portion and a lower surface of the second thin sheet portion have a non-stick coating thereon.

26. (original) The grill cover of claim 22, wherein the aluminum is aluminum foil having a thickness of between approximately half a mil and five mils.

27. (previously presented) A grill cover for covering an indoor counter top grill, the grill including a first cooking plate having a first cooking surface, the first cooking surface having a first rim and including a lid having a second cooking surface, the second cooking surface having a second rim, said first and said second cooking surfaces each having parallel elongated raised portions, the grill cover comprising:

a first thin sheet portion of an easily moldable lightweight and inexpensive metal having a fixed shape, and a fixed width and length to cover the first rim, a contoured surface of the first thin sheet portion corresponding to a contoured surface of the first cooking surface and including parallel ribs running through the thickness of the first thin sheet portion so that said first thin sheet portion when placed on the first cooking surface fits snugly thereon,

the first thin sheet portion including at least one right tab extending therefrom for attaching a right side of the first thin sheet portion to a right side of the first cooking surface exterior to the first rim and including at least one left tab extending therefrom for attaching a left side of the first thin sheet portion to a left side of the first cooking surface exterior to the first rim,

a second thin sheet portion of an easily moldable lightweight and inexpensive metal having a fixed shape, and a fixed width and length to cover the second rim, a contoured surface of the second thin sheet portion corresponding to a contoured surface of the second cooking surface and including parallel ribs running through the thickness of the second thin sheet portion so that said second thin sheet portion when placed on the second cooking surface fits snugly thereon,

the second thin sheet portion including at least one right tab extending therefrom for attaching a right side of the second thin sheet portion to a right side of the first cooking surface exterior to the second rim and including at least one left tab extending therefrom for attaching a left side of the second thin sheet portion to a left side of the second cooking surface exterior to the second rim,

the first sheet portion and the second sheet portion forming a single continuous

sheet.

28. (original) The grill cover of claim 27, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet portion and a lower surface of the second thin sheet portion have a non-stick coating thereon, wherein a front of the first thin sheet portion extends into and covering an inside surface of a drip tray positioned in front of and approximately adjacent the grill and wherein each of the parallel ribs have bumps at or near a front end of the parallel ribs.

29. (previously presented) A grill cover for covering an indoor counter top grill, the grill including a first cooking plate having a first cooking surface, the first cooking surface having a first rim and including a lid having a second cooking surface, the second cooking surface having a second rim, said first and said second cooking surfaces each having parallel elongated raised portions, the grill cover comprising:

a first thin sheet of an easily moldable lightweight and inexpensive metal having a fixed shape, and a fixed width and length to cover the first rim, a contoured surface of the first thin sheet corresponding to a contoured surface of the first cooking surface and including parallel ribs running through the thickness of the first thin sheet so that said first thin sheet when placed on the first cooking surface fits snugly thereon, the first thin sheet including at least one right tab extending therefrom for attaching a right side of the first thin sheet to a right side of the first cooking surface exterior to the first rim and including at least one left tab extending therefrom for attaching a left side of the first thin sheet to a left side of the first cooking surface exterior to the first rim,



a second thin sheet of an easily moldable lightweight and inexpensive metal having a fixed shape, and a fixed width and length to cover the second rim, a contoured surface of the second thin sheet corresponding to a contoured surface of the second cooking surface and including parallel ribs running through the thickness of the second thin sheet so that said second thin sheet when placed on the second cooking surface fits snugly thereon, the second thin sheet including at least one right tab extending therefrom for attaching a right side of the second thin sheet to a right side of the first cooking surface exterior to the second rim and including at least one left tab extending therefrom for attaching a left side of the second thin sheet to a left side of the second cooking surface exterior to the second rim.

30. (original) The grill cover of claim 29, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet and a lower surface of the second thin sheet have a non-stick coating thereon, wherein a front of the first thin sheet extends into and covering an inside surface of a drip tray positioned in front of and approximately adjacent the grill and wherein each of the parallel ribs have bumps at or near a front end of the parallel ribs.

31. (previously presented) A grill cover for covering an indoor counter top grill, the grill including a first cooking plate having a first cooking surface, the first cooking surface having a first rim and including a lid having a second cooking surface, the second cooking surface having a second rim, said first and said second cooking surfaces each having parallel elongated raised portions, the grill cover comprising:

a first thin sheet portion of a durable lightweight inexpensive easily moldable material able to withstand 450 degrees Fahrenheit for 45 minutes and having a fixed shape, and a fixed width and length to cover the first rim, a contoured surface of the first thin sheet portion corresponding to a contoured surface of the first cooking surface and including parallel ribs running through the thickness of the first thin sheet portion so that said first thin sheet portion when placed on the first cooking surface fits snugly thereon, the first thin sheet portion including at least one right tab extending therefrom for attaching a right side of the first thin sheet portion to a right side of the first cooking surface exterior to the first rim and including at least one left tab extending therefrom for attaching a left side of the first thin sheet portion to a left side of the first cooking surface exterior to the first rim,

a second thin sheet portion of durable lightweight inexpensive easily moldable material able to withstand 450 degrees Fahrenheit for 45 minutes and having a fixed shape, and a fixed width and length to cover the second rim, a contoured surface of the second thin sheet portion corresponding to a contoured surface of the second cooking surface and including parallel ribs running through the thickness of the second thin sheet portion so that said second thin sheet portion when placed on the second cooking surface fits snugly thereon,

the second thin sheet portion including at least one right tab extending therefrom for attaching a right side of the second thin sheet portion to a right side of the first cooking surface exterior to the second rim and including at least one left tab extending therefrom for attaching a left side of the second thin sheet portion to a left side of the second cooking surface exterior to the second rim,

the first sheet portion and the second sheet portion forming a single continuous sheet.

32. (original) The grill cover of claim 31, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet portion and a lower surface of the second thin sheet portion have a non-stick coating thereon, wherein a front of the first thin sheet portion extends into and covering an inside surface of a drip tray positioned in front of and approximately adjacent the grill and wherein each of the parallel ribs have bumps at or near a front end of the parallel ribs.

33. (previously presented) A grill cover for covering an indoor counter top grill, the grill including a first cooking plate having a first cooking surface, the first cooking surface having a first rim and including a lid having a second cooking surface, the second cooking surface having a second rim, said first and said second cooking surfaces each having parallel elongated raised portions, the grill cover comprising:

a first thin sheet of durable lightweight inexpensive easily moldable material able to withstand 450 degrees Fahrenheit for 45 minutes and having a fixed shape, and a fixed width and length to cover the first rim, a contoured surface of the first thin sheet corresponding to a contoured surface of the first cooking surface and including parallel ribs running through the thickness of the first thin sheet so that said first thin sheet when placed on the first cooking surface fits snugly thereon, the first thin sheet including at least one right tab extending therefrom for attaching a right side of the first thin sheet to a right side of the first cooking surface exterior to the

first rim and including at least one left tab extending therefrom for attaching a left side of the first thin sheet to a left side of the first cooking surface exterior to the first rim,

a second thin sheet of durable lightweight inexpensive easily moldable material able to withstand 450 degrees Fahrenheit for 45 minutes and having a fixed shape, and a fixed width and length to cover the second rim, a contoured surface of the second thin sheet corresponding to a contoured surface of the second cooking surface and including parallel ribs running through the thickness of the second thin sheet so that said second thin sheet when placed on the second cooking surface fits snugly thereon, the second thin sheet including at least one right tab extending therefrom for attaching a right side of the second thin sheet to a right side of the first cooking surface exterior to the second rim and including at least one left tab extending therefrom for attaching a left side of the second thin sheet to a left side of the second cooking surface exterior to the second rim.

34. (original) The grill cover of claim 33, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet and a lower surface of the second thin sheet have a non-stick coating thereon, wherein a front of the first thin sheet extends into and covering an inside surface of a drip tray positioned in front of and approximately adjacent the grill and wherein each of the parallel ribs have bumps at or near a front end of the parallel ribs.

35. (canceled)

36. (currently amended) A grill cover for covering a first cooking surface of a first

cooking plate of an indoor counter top grill, the first cooking surface having a first rim and parallel elongated raised portions, the grill cover comprising:

a first thin sheet of durable easily moldable lightweight inexpensive material able to withstand approximately 450 degrees Fahrenheit for approximately 45 minutes and having a fixed shape, and a fixed width and length to cover the first rim, a contoured surface of the first thin sheet corresponding to a contoured surface of the first cooking surface and including parallel ribs running through the thickness of the first thin sheet so that said first thin sheet when placed on the first cooking surface fits snugly thereon

The grill cover of claim 35, wherein the first thin sheet includes at least one right tab extending therefrom for attaching a right side of the first thin sheet to a right side of the first cooking surface exterior to the first rim and/or includes at least one left tab extending therefrom for attaching a left side of the first thin sheet to a left side of the first cooking surface exterior to the first rim.

37. (currently amended) The grill cover of claim 36 35, wherein the material is aluminum.

38. (previously presented) The grill cover of claim 37, wherein the aluminum is aluminum foil having a thickness of between approximately half a mil and five mils.

39. (currently amended) The grill cover of claim 36 35, wherein a front of the first thin sheet extends into and covers an inside surface of a drip tray positioned in front of and approximately adjacent the grill.

40. (currently amended) The grill cover of claim 36 35, wherein each of the parallel ribs have bumps at or near a front end of the parallel ribs.

41. (currently amended) The grill cover of claim 36 35, wherein an upper surface of the first thin sheet has a non-stick coating thereon.

42. (canceled)

43. (currently amended) A grill cover for covering a second cooking surface of a lid of an indoor counter top grill, the second cooking surface having a second rim and parallel elongated raised portions, the grill cover comprising:

a second thin sheet of durable easily moldable lightweight inexpensive material able to withstand approximately 450 degrees Fahrenheit for approximately 45 minutes and having a fixed shape, and a fixed width and length to cover the second rim, a contoured surface of the second thin sheet corresponding to a contoured surface of the second cooking surface and including parallel ribs running through the thickness of the second thin sheet so that said second thin sheet when placed on the second cooking surface fits snugly thereon

~~The grill cover of claim 42~~, wherein the second thin sheet includes at least one right tab extending therefrom for attaching a right side of the second thin sheet to a right side of the first cooking surface exterior to the second rim and/or includes at least one left tab extending therefrom for attaching a left side of the second thin sheet to a left side of

the second cooking surface exterior to the second rim.

44. (currently amended) The grill cover of claim 43 42, wherein the material is aluminum.

45. (previously presented) The grill cover of claim 44, wherein the aluminum is aluminum foil having a thickness of between approximately half a mil and five mils.

46. (currently amended) The grill cover of claim 43 42, wherein each of the parallel ribs have bumps at or near a front end of the parallel ribs.

47. (currently amended) The grill cover of claim 43 42, wherein an active surface of the second thin sheet has a non-stick coating thereon.